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THE  
**CRYSTAL PALACE COMPANY.**  

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**REPORT**  
OF THE  
DIRECTORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS  
AT THE  
NINTH ORDINARY  
**GENERAL MEETING,**  
DEC. 20TH, 1859.

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CRYSTAL PALACE COMPANY.

Notice is hereby given, that the Ninth Ordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of this Company will be held at the Bridge House Hotel, Wellington Street, London Bridge, on Tuesday, the 20th December inst. at One o'clock precisely, for the purpose of receiving a Report from the Directors, and of transacting the ordinary business of the Company, as prescribed by the Deed of Settlement and Charter.

And the said Meeting will be made extraordinary for the purpose of converting the paid-up Shares of the Company into Stock, under the Company's Act of 1856, and of altering and amending the 21st clause of the Deed of Settlement relating to the time prescribed for the closing of the Transfer Registers.

The Books kept by the Company for the Registration of Transfers of Shares will be closed from Monday the 12th, to Monday the 19th of December, both days inclusive.

By order,

GEO. GROVE, Secretary.

Crystal Palace,  
Dec. 3rd, 1859.

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## CRYSTAL PALACE COMPANY.

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### Directors.

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ARTHUR ANDERSON, Esq. *The Grove, Norwood*.

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REPORT of the Directors, to be submitted to the Ninth Ordinary General Meeting of Proprietors, at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, at One o'clock P.M. precisely, on Tuesday, the 20th December, 1859.

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THE Directors beg herewith to submit to the Proprietors their Report, with the Accounts for the twelve months ending Oct. 31st, 1859.

It will be seen from the Revenue Account that the gross income of the year has amounted to £134,068 12s. 1d., and the expenditure to £88,753 1s. 5d., leaving a balance to the credit of Revenue for the twelve months of £45,315 10s. 8d.

As the last Account submitted in December showed only the working of six months, this Account should be compared with that submitted in June, 1858.

Such a comparison will show that whilst the net earnings of the year 1857-58 were £35,073 17s. 10d., those of the past year are £45,315 10s. 8d.; and it will be seen that the improvement arises almost entirely from the reductions which have been made in the charges against Revenue for the year.

To arrive at a proper comparison of the Accounts for future guidance, it is necessary that the receipts and expenditure connected with the Handel Festivals should be excluded from both Accounts; and if this be done, it will be seen that while the charges for the year ending April 30th 1858 were £72,890 4s. 11d., for the past year they have been but £65,362 10s. 7d., and even this latter sum includes many items of expenditure (as will appear on reference to the Abstracts) which represent permanent additions and improvements to the Palace, and which might legitimately have been charged to Capital.

The sum now available for division amounts, with the reserve brought forward, to £57,940 10s. 11d., which the Directors propose to apportion as follows:—

To the payment of Preference Dividend and Interest on Debenture Stock for the year, £26,663 5s. 6d.; to the payment of a Dividend on the Ordinary Shares of two shillings per share, which will amount to £20,059, leaving a reserve of £11,218 5s. 5d. to be carried forward to the next year's Account.

Since the Directors had last the pleasure of meeting the Proprietors, they are happy to say that the whole of the Debenture Stock has been allotted. The balance of the purchase money for the land, £64,238 4s. 4d., which under the original agreement with Mr. Schuster became due on July 31st 1859, has been paid, and the property conveyed to the Company as their Freehold.

It will be observed that only one item is added to the Capital Account, and that is a sum of £3,500, paid to the Refreshment Contractors for additions made to the plant. The valuation was made by the Company's own valuer, and the present Contractor is bound, under responsible security, to maintain this plant at its improved value, and to hand it over to the Company at the expiration of his agreement.

In the Refreshment Department, careful attention has been paid to the wants of the masses of the public; and at the same time, the demand for accommodation for more private refreshments has been so great as to render necessary the construction of additional dining-rooms in the Tower of the South Wing. The erection of these has been already commenced, and will be continued in the spring, so that they shall be fit for use at the commencement of the new season.

The total number of Visitors during the period embraced by the



Accounts has been 1,384,163. This is an increase of 20,000 on the average of the four preceding years, and a gratifying evidence that the Palace has not relaxed its steady hold on the public favour. A remarkable testimony to this is given by the extraordinary numbers who attended the fêtes of the Foresters and Odd Fellows—surpassing even the large gatherings of the same bodies in the previous year.

The Exhibitors' Department continues to show steady progress. The increased accommodation spoken of in the last Report has produced the result which was then anticipated: not only does the rental from this source show a satisfactory advance (more than 15 per cent on that of the preceding twelve months), but the whole department is in a sounder and more healthy condition than it has ever before been.

The Directors have continued to use every effort to keep down the working expenditure of the establishment, but while carrying these reductions into effect, they have not neglected the necessary repairs to the fabric; the whole exterior of the main building has been repainted (an operation which will not recur for some time), and its stability fully maintained, as indeed was remarkably shown during the very severe storms of this autumn.

A considerable improvement in the interior has been effected in the screen separating the tropical end from the rest of the Building, by substituting glass for the greater portion of the curtain formerly employed. The materials for this were obtained from the alterations in the South Tower rendered necessary by the works above alluded to for the Refreshment Department, so that while a great improvement has been made, it has been effected at little more than the cost of the labour.

Alterations and repairs to the Concert Room having become necessary, the Directors have taken advantage of the opportunity to substitute a wooden ceiling for the temporary awning hitherto employed, and also to make other changes in the arrangements which will give a more permanent character to the room, increase its capabilities for sound, and add materially to the convenience of the Visitors; and will also permit of illustrated Lectures and other Exhibitions being given there with advantage and effect.

An agreement has been entered into between this Company and the Council of the London Rifle Brigade, by which a portion of the grounds at the lower end of the Park is appropriated to the Brigade

as a practice ground. The spot chosen has received the sanction of the Government Inspector, and all the expenditure requisite to fit it for the purpose in view is to be defrayed by the Brigade; while, on the other hand, the Directors have reduced the price of admission to all the members of the Brigade when in uniform.

Arrangements of a similar nature are in progress with other Metropolitan Corps, and thus the Palace will become identified with this important popular movement.

The construction of the Victoria Station, and of the Line for connecting the West End Railway thereto, is proceeding rapidly, and there is every prospect of their being opened early in the coming summer. This direct communication with the centre of the West End of Town, cannot fail to cause an important addition to the traffic to the Palace. It will also prove indirectly beneficial by encouraging building operations in the surrounding districts. A large population is rapidly becoming resident in the neighbourhood, and anything which tends still further to increase it is matter of importance to this Company.

The houses which the Company are erecting on their property in Dulwich Wood are approaching completion. They have been seriously delayed by the Strike, but will now be finished as quickly as the weather will permit. The rapid manner in which the houses in the neighbourhood find tenants, encourages the Directors to believe that these will not remain long on their hands.

The Report submitted to the last General Meeting having been printed before the conclusion of the Handel Festival, only a short general reference to it was then possible. It will be seen that the favourable financial anticipations therein expressed are fully borne out by the present Accounts.

It affords the Directors much pleasure here to record their sense of the valuable assistance and the cordial co-operation which they received in carrying out the undertaking from the Committee of the Sacred Harmonic Society. The very great services rendered by Mr. Costa to the Festival are so well-known, and public testimony to their value has been so universal, that the Directors need do no more than refer to them here.

As the Crystal Palace is now fitted up with the most complete and extensive Orchestra in the world, obtained at a cost of nearly £7,000 (the whole of which has been paid out of Revenue), and as the Great Transept is an equally unrivalled locality, the Board, in conjunction with the Committee of the Society, have under their consideration the establishment of Periodical Musical Festivals,



equal at least in extent to the Handel Festival. It is proposed that the first of these shall take place in 1862.

The Directors much regret that they are unable to report an adjustment of the matters in difference between this Company and the Brighton Railway Company. The latter Company being advised that doubts existed as to the power of the late Mr. Robert Stephenson to make the award in the form in which he made it, it has been considered necessary to have this question legally decided before entering further on the negotiation. Proceedings have been accordingly instituted for this purpose, and it is hoped that the decision of the Court may be obtained early in the coming year.

The Crystal Palace Art Union was very successful during its first season, and there is every prospect of a considerable increase in its operations for the coming year. More prominence will in future be given to Pictures among the Prizes, and such arrangements have been made for this as will be to the mutual benefit both of the Company's Picture Gallery and the Art Union.

A Resolution will be submitted to the Proprietors empowering the Directors to consolidate the Shares, both Ordinary and Preference, into Stock, in exercise of the powers conveyed by the Company's Act of 1856. By this operation the Registration of Transfers will be greatly simplified, while additional security as well as increased convenience and economy will result.

A Resolution will also be submitted for extending the time for closing the Transfer Books previous to the meeting, from seven to fourteen days, the former period having been found too limited for the purpose.

By order of the Board,

THOS. N. FARQUHAR,

*Chairman.*

CRYSTAL PALACE,  
Dec. 9th, 1859.

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The Directors have received notice of Resolution intended to be moved at the Meeting by CAPTAIN H. YOUNG, as follows:—

“That the Crystal Palace be closed on the Lord's Day, Shareholders being admitted as at present into the Grounds without charge.”

## REVENUE

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From October 30th, 1858,

TO EXPENDITURE, viz.:		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
General Management .....	Abstract (A)	7,655	13	5			
Maintenance and Repairs:							
Building .....	" (B)	7,030	9	9			
Gardens and Grounds .....	" (C)	6,710	9	5			
Water, Engines, and							
Waterworks.....	" (D)	2,929	3	5			
Various Departments,							
with Alterations and							
Additions to same ...	" (E)	10,256	15	3			
Music .....	" (F)	6,655	7	8			
Expenses on Special Occasions:							
Handel Commemoration							
Festival .....	" (G)	23,390	10	10			
Opera Concerts .....	" (G)	1,667	18	4			
Special Concerts, Fêtes,							
&c. ....	" (H)	7,738	15	0			
Flower Shows .....	" (I)	2,440	11	5			
Poultry and Cage Birds							
Shows .....	" (J)	1,430	19	6			
Insurance of Building from							
Fire, and Fire Brigade ...	" (K)	879	8	6			
Law Charges .....	" (L)	563	1	8			
Rates and Taxes on Palace							
and Park .....	" (M)	1,630	11	2			
Commission on Sale of							
Season Tickets.....		335	1	9			
Expenses on Season Tickets		444	0	2			
Stables:							
Ground Rent, Taxes,		260	18	3			
and Insurance .....		95	0	9			
Repairs .....		831	0	3			
Lectures .....							
Advertising, Printing, and							
Stationery, not charged to		3,268	17	0			
Departments .....		1,017	8	5			
Gas .....		257	10	0			
Miscellaneous Expenses .....							
Direction (one year, as voted		630	0	0			
by General Meeting) .....		105	0	0			
Audit .....		26	5	0			
Ground Rent of Land.....		98	2	6			
Proxy Stamps .....	£152	3	6				
Penny Guide .....							
Official General Guide and	252	8	6				
Handbooks .....		404	12	0			
To Balance carried to General Revenue Account...					88,753	1	5
					45,315	10	8
					£134,068	12	1



## ACCOUNT.

to October 31st, 1859.

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## BY INCOME, viz.:

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Season Tickets at £2 2s. ....	£6,199	9	0			
" " " £1 1s. ....	4,598	1	0			
" " Children's at £1 1s. 28	7	0				
" " " at 10s. 6d. 164	11	9				
				10,990	8	9
Half-season Tickets, 1858-9, at 10s. 6d. ....	317	18	0			
Half-season Tickets, 1859-60, at 10s. 6d. ....	975	19	6	1,293	17	6
						12,284 6 3
Receipts from Admissions:						
Handel Festival .....	1385	4	7	34,913	12	9
Opera Concerts .....	443	6	8			
" " Reserved Seats .....				1,828	11	3
Seven Shillings and Sixpence days .....				1,547	15	11
Five Shillings days .....				758	7	11
Half-crown days .....				7,803	6	3
One Shilling days .....				44,848	15	1
Excursionists and Van Tickets .....				1,355	1	4
						93,055 10 6
Reserved Seats and Programmes .....						
Subscriptions Archery Fête .....						1,158 18 1
						52 17 0
Receipts for Rental:						
General Exhibition .....	7,409	4	1			
Sundry Special Contracts .....	1,621	11	11			
						9,030 16 0
Art Union Rent Account .....						353 10 0
Refreshment Contract .....	13,717	14	11			
Waiting and Cloak Rooms .....	1,630	4	3			
Stables (six months) .....	233	12	4			
						15,581 11 6
Commission on Sales of Agricultural Imple-						
ments .....	214	8	9			
Commission on Sales of Pictures .....	160	14	2			
						375 2 11
Poultry and Cage Birds Shows, Entries, Cata-						
logues, &c. ....						660 12 4
News Room .....						99 12 2
Guide and Handbooks .....						643 14 10
Cotton Twist and Yarn manufactured .....						320 9 0
Sales of Surplus Plants .....						281 17 9
Miscellaneous Receipts .....						76 9 9
Sale of Season Ticket Cases .....						2 19 0
Fees for Registration of Shares .....						90 5 0
						£134,068 12 1

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## General Revenue Account

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Interest to this date as follows :						
On Debentures .....	3,832	6	4			
On Debenture Stock .....	9,045	10	11			
On Preference Capital .....	11,190	7	6			
To Balance of Interest Account .....				24,068	4	9
				2,595	0	9
To Balance carried down .....				31,277	5	5
				£57,940	10	11

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## Capital Account from the Commencement

	£	s.	d.
To Amount expended to October 30th, 1858 ...	1,349,607	1	11
To Amount expended subsequently to October 30th, 1858, viz. :—			
Paid Messrs. Sawyer & Strange for increase in value of Plant on Re-valuation .....	3,500	0	0
To Balance .....	106,337	3	1
	£1,459,444	5	0

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## General Balance Sheet

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Capital, for Balance to Credit of Capital Account				106,337	3	1
To Sundry Creditors, viz :						
On Current Accounts .....	8,446	17	4			
On Loan Accounts .....	34,757	4	6			
				43,204	1	10
To Unclaimed Dividends and Interest, and Preference Dividend, accrued to October 31st, 1859 .....				9,660	13	10
				165	3	3
To Revenue Accounts outstanding .....				31,277	5	5
To General Revenue Account .....						
				£190,644	7	5

W. A. HART, *Accountant.*



to October 31st, 1859.

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Balance of General Revenue Account to October 30th, 1858 .....	37,698	15	3			
Deduct Dividend of 2s. 6d. per Share on Ordinary Shares, declared payable on the 5th January, 1859 .....	25,073	15	0			
				12,625	0	3
By Balance of Revenue Account to October 31st, 1859 .....				45,315	10	8
				£57,940	10	11
By Balance .....				£31,277	5	5

to October 31st, 1859.

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Share Capital, viz.:						
Ordinary Share Capital .....	1,002,784	10	0			
Preference 7 per Cent Capital.....	160,652	5	0			
Debenture Stock paid up to this date.....	233,457	10	0			
				1,396,894	5	0
By Debentures outstanding.....				62,550	0	0
				£1,459,444	5	0
By Balance .....				106,337	3	1

on October 31st, 1859.

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Land Purchases .....	43,150	7	7			
" Outlay upon Dulwich Wood Estate .....	59,552	18	4			
				102,703	5	11
By Houses on Dulwich Wood.....				3,998	16	0
By Debtors on Account of Land Sales .....	10,595	14	9			
" " on Sundry Accounts .....	13,301	12	1			
				23,897	6	10
By Stock of Stores, Materials, Seats, &c., in hand				3,771	4	8
By Revenue Accounts outstanding.....				333	15	8
By Cash at Bankers:—						
On Current Account .....	30,767	10	4			
" Deposit Accounts.....	25,043	1	6			
By Cash in hand .....	129	6	6			
				55,939	18	4
				£190,644	7	5

A. C. IONIDES,  
D. OGILVY,  
CHARLES HORSLEY, } *Directors.*  
THOS. N. FARQUHAR, *Chairman.*

## ABSTRACT A.

## GENERAL MANAGEMENT.

SALARIES AND OFFICE DISBURSEMENTS:	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
✓ Salaries .....	3,486	8	7			
Postages, Parcels, Expenses of Meetings, &c.	292	17	3			
Refreshments .....	7	9	8			
Petty Cash for Messengers' Expenses, Telegrams, and Sundry Disbursements.....	196	13	9			
Office Furniture .....	11	5	0			
Defaced Money .....	0	9	6			
				3,995	3	9
ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS TO OFFICES:						
Mechanics' Wages .....	37	5	5			
Stores and Materials .....	29	12	2			
				66	17	7
MESSENGERS:						
Wages .....				226	16	6
COMPANY'S POLICE:						
Wages .....				123	10	1
METROPOLITAN POLICE:						
Salary of Superintendent, and Wages and Gratuities to Men.....				1,466	15	2
MONEY TAKERS AND DOOR-KEEPERS:						
Wages.....				912	19	9
RAILWAY CONVEYANCE OF GOODS ...	36	15	3			
GENERAL RAILWAY CONVEYANCE OF STAFF .....	400	13	9			
				437	9	0
STOREKEEPER'S DEPARTMENT:						
✓ Salary of Storekeeper and Wages of Men Receiving, Removing, and Delivering Stores .....	308	14	4			
Repairs to Department.....	76	1	9			
Materials from Stores, &c. ....	2	6	10			
Printing and Stationery, and General Expenses.....	23	2	5			
Postages.....	2	5	1			
				412	10	5
TURNSTILES, &c.:	10	11	2			
Mechanics' Wages .....	3	0	0			
Stores.....				13	11	2
				£7,655	13	5



## ABSTRACT B.

## MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF BUILDING.

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
REPAIRS TO MAIN BUILDING:			
✓ Salary of Clerk of Works and Wages of			
Mechanics and Labourers .....	1,512 10 0		
Timber .....	176 17 2		
Stores and other Materials .....	521 12 11		
Fuel .....	11 11 6		
General Charges .....	11 3 5		
			2,253 15 0
HEATING THE BUILDING:			
Fuel .....	1,690 10 0		
Mechanics' Wages on the Apparatus .....	53 2 8		
			1,743 12 8
AWNINGS:			
Mechanics' Wages .....	40 13 4		
Stores .....	43 2 8		
			83 16 0
FLAGS AND FLAGSTAFFS:			
Mechanics' Wages .....	4 1 0		
Stores .....	0 5 0		
Hire of Flag .....	2 2 0		
			6 8 0
BANNERS .....			2 4 2
QUEEN'S APARTMENTS:			
Mechanics' Wages .....	2 4 3		
Stores and Fittings .....	15 16 1		
			18 0 4
BOOK STANDS AND NOTICE BOARDS:			
Mechanics' Wages .....	8 12 5		
Stores .....	0 2 4		
			8 14 9
LOUVRES AND VENTILATION:			
Mechanics' Wages .....	292 3 1		
Timber and Stores .....	27 18 0		
			320 1 1
PAINTING GARDEN FRONT OF BUILDING:			
Mechanics' Wages .....	522 4 5		
Paint, Stores, and Materials .....	251 5 9		
			773 10 2
PAINTING ROAD FRONT OF BUILDING:			
Mechanics' Wages .....	653 15 0		
Paint, Stores, and Materials .....	292 1 7		
			945 16 7
PAINTING SOUTH WING:			
Mechanics' Wages .....	124 15 6		
Paint, Stores, and Materials .....	40 15 5		
			165 10 11
SOUTH WING TOWER:			
Mechanics' Wages .....	373 14 1		
Stores .....	90 9 6		
			464 3 7
Carried forward .....			6,765 13 3

## ABSTRACT B.—Continued.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward.....				6,765	13	3
HAIR-DRESSING SALOON:						
Mechanics' Wages .....	75	5	4			
Stores and Materials.....	13	10	4			
				88	15	8
TEMPORARY LIGHTING BUILDING:						
Mechanics' Wages .....	43	14	9			
Stores.....	23	14	3			
				67	9	0
GYMNASIUM IN PARK:						
Amount of Contract .....	75	0	0			
Mechanics' Wages .....	1	17	4			
Stores.....	1	17	4			
				78	14	8
DRINKING FOUNTAINS:						
Wages .....	15	17	1			
Stores.....	14	0	1			
				29	17	2
				£7,080	9	9

## ABSTRACT C.

## MAINTENANCE OF GARDENS AND GROUNDS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
INTERIOR GARDENS:						
Superintendent's Salary and Wages of hands						
Employed .....	1,964	15	11			
Mechanics' Wages .....	192	17	1			
Stores and Materials.....	163	6	6			
Dutch Bulbs .....	64	0	4			
General Charges, Printing, and Advertising	24	17	3			
Railway Conveyance .....	9	0	0			
Cartage and Manure.....	12	19	3			
Coke and Tar .....	1	15	8			
Garden Pots .....	5	15	6			
Cast Iron Stands for Orange Boxes .....	104	6	0			
				2,543	13	6
SWEEPERS AND CLEANERS:						
Wages .....				289	16	11
SCREEN ACROSS NAVE, TROPICAL END:						
Mechanics' Wages.....	79	15	9			
Stores.....	32	2	3			
				111	18	0
CAMELLIA HOUSE:						
Wages .....	131	6	1			
Timber and Sashes .....	150	8	9			
Stores.....	37	1	5			
District Surveyor .....	2	10	0			
				321	6	3
Carried forward.....				£3,266	14	8



## ABSTRACT C.—Continued.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward.....				3,266	14	8
NEW ORANGE BOXES:						
Mechanics' Wages .....	20	12	1			
Castings and Bolts .....	153	6	0			
Slates and Stores .....	24	15	5			
				208	14	6
EXTERIOR GARDENS AND PARK:						
Superintendent's Salary and Wages of Gardeners and Labourers .....	2,654	18	5			
Mechanics' Wages .....	12	6	4			
Fuel .....	46	15	1			
Stores.....	183	13	0			
General Charges for Horse Hire, Cartage, Gravel, &c. ....	229	14	0			
Seed .....	7	13	0			
Carriage.....	0	14	9			
	3,135	14	7			
Cr., by Hay and Grass Sold .....	36	0	0			
				3,099	14	7
EXTERIOR ROADS:						
Wages .....				135	5	8
				£6,710	9	5

## ABSTRACT D.

## WATER, ENGINES, AND WATERWORKS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salary of Superintendent and Wages of Engineers, Stokers, and Labourers.....	911	18	10			
Mechanics' Labour .....	91	11	1			
Stores.....	197	8	11			
New Screw Cocks, Bends, and Sockets .....	46	0	1			
General Charges .....	7	16	0			
				1,254	14	11
Fuel for Engines .....				740	6	11
Water supplied by Lambeth Company .....				704	14	8
New Reservoir—						
Amount of Contract .....	203	13	6			
Wages of Labourers.....	25	13	5			
				229	6	11
				£2,929	3	5

## ABSTRACT E.

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS:  
ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO SAME, &c.

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<b>FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT:</b>							
Salary of Superintendent and Wages of Men							
Employed .....		1,275	16	0			
Mechanics' Wages .....		2	16	6			
General Charges .....		35	15	9			
Stores, &c. ....		117	7	5			
Cast Iron Standards for Renaissance Court		21	8	6			
Railway Conveyance .....		5	12	6			
					1,458	16	8
<b>DOLPHIN NICHES ON TERRACE:</b>							
Repairs .....		14	10	0			
Mechanics' Wages .....		1	3	5			
					15	13	5
<b>FOUNTAINS IN BUILDING:</b>							
New Waste Pipes and Copper Rings, and							
Repairs .....					17	10	0
<b>MODEL GALLERY, INDIAN COURT, AND</b>							
<b>NAVAL MUSEUM:</b>							
Wages .....		112	3	11			
Stores and Materials .....		5	18	10			
					118	2	9
<b>ASSYRIAN COURT:</b>							
Mechanics' Wages .....		4	4	0			
Stores .....		0	8	6			
					4	12	6
<b>EXHIBITORS' DEPARTMENT:</b>							
Rent of Paris Office .....		133	6	0			
Salary of Superintendent and Wages of Men		692	19	5			
Mechanics' Wages .....		71	19	11			
Contract for two New Cases .....		96	0	0			
Refitting Additional Cases for Exhibitors ...							
Mechanics' Wages .....	£415	3	0				
Stores and Materials .....	117	5	4				
		532	8	4			
Stamps for Agreements .....		20	0	0			
Stores and Materials .....		45	1	1			
General Expenses .....		24	12	0			
Advertising .....		25	0	0			
Printing .....		19	4	6			
Postages .....		20	0	0			
					1,680	11	3
<b>CARRIAGE DEPARTMENT:</b>							
Wages .....					55	18	10
Carried forward .....					£3,351	5	5



## ABSTRACT E.—Continued.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward.....				351	5	5
<b>CERAMIC COURT:</b>						
Salary of Superintendent and Wages.....	198	5	9			
Packing Charges and Carriage.....	18	15	1			
Materials .....	13	15	8	230	16	6
<b>AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT:</b>						
Salary of Superintendent and Wages.....	195	12	4			
Mechanics' Wages .....	5	3	4			
General Charges .....	4	19	0			
Stores.....	0	13	2			
Advertising .....	15	16	0			
Printing and Stationery .....	15	5	0			
Conveyance by Railway .....	4	10	0			
Travelling Expenses.....	19	5	4			
Postages.....	9	6	2	270	10	4
<b>RAW PRODUCE DEPARTMENT:</b>						
Salary of Superintendent and Wages.....	134	2	0			
Mechanics' Wages .....	2	7	10			
General Charges .....	15	7	9			
Stores.....	9	7	1			
Specimens Freight and Carriage .....	7	2	10			
Railway Conveyance.....	9	0	0			
Printing and Postages .....	4	2	6	181	10	0
<b>NATURAL HISTORY DEPARTMENT:</b>						
Salary of Superintendent and Wages.....	271	12	3			
Mechanics' Wages .....	10	6	5			
General Charges .....	29	19	8			
Food for Birds .....	11	5	4			
Stores.....	26	16	11			
Pheasantries, Aquariums, &c. ....	44	17	0			
Railway Conveyance.....	3	0	0	397	17	7
<b>MACHINERY:</b>						
Salary of Superintendent and Wages.....	408	17	5			
Fuel .....	303	14	2			
Mechanics' Wages .....	29	16	11			
Stores and Materials.....	49	17	3			
General Charges .....	2	10	16			
Rent of Engine.....	16	17	6	814	14	1
<b>PICTURE GALLERY:</b>						
Salary of Superintendent and Wages.....	420	3	11			
Salaries and Expenses of Foreign Agents ...	236	0	4			
Freight and Charges on Foreign Pictures ...	137	15	8	793	19	11
	£793	19	11			
Carried forward.....				£5,246	13	11

## ABSTRACT E.—Continued.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward.....	793	19	11	5,246	13	11
PICTURE GALLERY:						
Charges for Cartage, Delivering and Collecting Pictures in Town and Country.....	97	6	2			
Hire of Room for receiving Pictures .....	8	8	0			
Railway Carriage of Pictures .....	108	16	11			
Advertising, Printing, and Stationery .....	15	11	0			
Miscellaneous Charges .....	68	10	2			
Railway Conveyance.....	21	0	0			
Postages and Stamps .....	14	8	4			
Alterations and Repairs:						
Mechanics' Labour.....£72 5 1						
Timber, Stores, and Materials 78 13 0						
	150	18	1	1,278	18	7
NEW STAIR-CASES TO PICTURE GALLERY:						
Mechanics' Wages .....	111	2	5			
Timber .....	7	5	6			
Stores.....	4	3	3	122	11	2
PHOTOGRAPHIC GALLERY:						
Mechanics' Wages .....	24	8	8			
Stores.....	6	7	0			
Carriage.....	3	14	5	34	10	1
EXTINCT ANIMALS:						
Retaining Salary of Superintendent and Wages .....	69	10	0			
Oils and Colours .....	15	12	2	85	2	2
COTTON MACHINERY:						
Wages .....	241	0	0			
General Charges .....	15	10	0			
Cotton and Twist purchased .....	207	12	1	464	2	1
LITERARY DEPARTMENT:						
Salary of Superintendent and Wages .....	271	19	4			
Mechanics' Labour .....	9	14	5			
Stores.....	14	4	7			
Newspapers and Periodicals .....	105	8	6			
Duty and Charges on Foreign Books.....	6	6	0			
Binding .....	16	11	0			
Advertising, Printing, and Stationery .....	18	16	1			
Petty Cash.....	44	3	10			
Postages.....	11	5	5			
Railway Conveyance.....	14	5	0			
Refreshments.....	5	1	0	517	15	2
SCREEN FOR AUTOGRAPHS:						
Mechanics' Wages .....				7	4	2
WAITING AND CLOAK ROOMS:						
Mechanics' Wages .....	2	19	6			
Stores.....	7	17	8	10	17	2
Carried forward.....				£7,767	14	6



## ABSTRACT E.—Continued.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward.....				7,767	14	6
ARCHERY AND CRICKET GROUNDS AND RIFLE GALLERY:						
Wages, Stores, &c. ....				7	18	0
CONCERT ROOM:						
Mechanics' Wages .....	73	16	0			
Timber .....	18	1	5			
Stores.....	50	12	10	142	10	3
HANDEL ORCHESTRA:						
Balance of Original Cost (one-third) .....				1,250	16	6
SEATS AND CHAIRS:						
Balance of Repairs and Renewal.....				179	11	10
REFRESHMENT DEPARTMENT ALTER- ATIONS AND REPAIRS:						
Mechanics' Wages .....	132	1	11			
Stores and Materials .....	48	15	1			
Insurance .....	70	17	6			
Surveying Charges .....	3	6	6			
Excise Duties .....	33	1	6			
New Boiler House:						
Mechanics' Wages .....	£8	10	5			
New Boiler, Stores, and Materials .....	271	17	4	280	7	9
Amount payable under Order of Court on termination of Agreement for exclusive Sale of Aerated Beverages .....				339	13	11
				908	4	2
				£10,256	15	3

## ABSTRACT F.

## MUSIC.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salaries of Conductor and Band.....	5,213	18	11			
General Charges for Copying Music, and Incidental Expenses .....	82	8	1			
Hire of Music .....	80	2	6			
Railway Conveyance.....	254	5	0			
Military Bands .....	225	16	0			
Daily Organ Performances .....	247	16	0			
Balance of Contract Price, and Expenses for Hire and Erection of Great Organ.....	239	4	4			
Hire of Organ, Extra Tuning, &c. ....	143	18	5			
Mechanics' Labour .....	129	16	4			
Stores.....	4	0	0			
Advertising, Printing, Postages.....	34	2	1	£6,655	7	8

## ABSTRACT G.

## HANDEL COMMEMORATION FESTIVAL.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Sacred Harmonic Society for Musical Engagements, Music, &c., as per Agreement..	13,646	16	2			
Enlarging, Re-painting, and Decorating Orchestra and Organ; also Military Bands	2,418	17	2			
Proportion of new Chairs purchased .....	450	0	0			
Hire of and numbering Seats, &c. ....	126	17	0			
Seats and Barriers.....	879	16	9			
Advertising, Placarding, &c. ....	1,145	5	0			
Lithographing Tickets, Printing, and Stationery .....	811	4	5			
Postages, Extra Clerks, and Miscellaneous Expenses .....	573	12	8			
Extra Police .....	116	12	2			
Refreshments to Orchestra, &c., and Hire of Tent .....	890	1	8			
Cost of Books of Words, and Music .....	860	1	8			
Medals to Performers .....	525	0	0			
Commission on Sale of Tickets .....	1,693	18	9			
	24,138	3	5			
Cr., By Dividends and Profit on Consols, Commission on Tickets Sold at Palace, &c. ....	747	12	7			
				£23,390	10	10
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OPERA CONCERTS :						
Payments to Mr. Gye .....	1,401	12	4			
Advertising, Printing, and Incidental Expenses.....	266	6	0			
				£1,667	18	4

## ABSTRACT H.

## EXPENSES OF SPECIAL CONCERTS, FÊTES, &amp;c.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Military Fête, Metropolitan Schools' Choral Society, Welsh Charity Concert, Metropolitan Charity Schools, Lumley's Concerts, Manns' Concert, Sims Reeves' Concert, Benedict's Vocal Association Concerts, E. T. Smith's Concert, Tonic Sol-fa Concert, Strange's Concert, Friday and Saturday Concerts .....	5,018	14	5			
Extra Attractions, Inkerman Fête, Christmas Festival, 1858, Burns' Festival, Easter Festival, Whitsun Festival, Archery Fête, Early Closing Association Fêtes, Odd Fellows' Fête, Foresters' Fête.....	2,720	0	7			
				£7,738	15	0



## ABSTRACT I.

## EXPENSES OF FLOWER SHOWS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<b>CHRYSANTHEMUM SHOW, NOV., 1859</b>						
(Two Days):						
Mechanics' Wages .....	20	3	10			
Timber, Stores, &c. ....	2	3	4			
Prizes.....	38	11	0			
Judges' Fees and Refreshments .....	12	6	3			
Advertising, Printing, and Stationery.....	53	14	6			
				126	18	11
<b>FLOWER SHOW, MAY, 1859 (One Day):</b>						
Mechanics' Wages .....	59	12	11			
Timber .....	24	13	6			
Stores.....	24	1	11			
Prizes.....	520	15	0			
Judges' Fees .....	29	8	0			
Gardeners' Breakfasts .....	31	14	0			
Printing.....	21	8	6			
Advertising and Incidental Expenses.....	39	19	10			
Extra Police .....	2	2	6			
Military Band .....	20	16	0			
				774	12	2
<b>FLOWER SHOW, JUNE, 1859 (One Day):</b>						
Mechanics' Labour .....	25	9	2			
Timber .....	24	13	6			
Stores.....	24	1	11			
Prizes.....	570	13	0			
Judges' Fees .....	31	10	0			
Gardeners' Breakfasts .....	32	15	0			
Printing.....	15	5	0			
Advertising and Incidental Expenses.....	42	3	4			
Extra Police .....	2	2	6			
Military Band .....	31	4	0			
				799	17	5
<b>FLOWER SHOW, SEPT., 1859 (Two Days):</b>						
Mechanics' Wages .....	33	18	0			
Timber .....	57	2	9			
Stores .....	12	3	6			
Prizes and Expenses.....	485	16	6			
Judges' Fees .....	31	10	0			
Gardeners' Breakfasts .....	44	14	6			
Printing.....	19	3	5			
Advertising and Incidental Expenses .....	41	3	3			
Military Band .....	13	11	0			
				739	2	11
				£ 2,440	11	5

## ABSTRACT J.

## EXPENSES OF POULTRY AND CAGE BIRDS SHOWS.

CAGE BIRDS SHOW, NOV. 1858:		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salary of Superintendent and Clerk .....		53	0	0			
Mechanics' Wages .....		9	3	5			
Stores and Materials.....		2	6	3			
Incidental Expenses and Postages .....		11	5	11			
Prizes .....	£52	10	0				
Lectures.....	10	0	0				
Refreshments.....	1	6	0				
	£63	16	0				
Less Commission on Sales ...	9	5	11				
Printing.....		54	10	1			
Advertising .....		19	7	6			
		72	16	6			
					222	9	8
WINTER POULTRY SHOW, 1858:							
Salary of Superintendent and Clerk .....		78	15	0			
Mechanics' Wages .....		65	17	10			
Stores.....		4	5	0			
Poultry Pens.....		65	2	2			
Food for Poultry and Carriage .....		62	18	0			
Railway Conveyance.....		1	10	0			
Postages and Stamps .....		9	17	9			
Prizes .....	£357	15	0				
Judges' Fees, &c. ....	18	17	1				
	£376	12	1				
Less Commission on Sales ...	41	7	3				
Printing, Advertising, &c. ....		335	4	10			
		85	8	8			
					708	19	3
SUMMER POULTRY SHOW, 1859:							
Salary of Superintendent and Clerk .....		78	0	0			
Mechanics' Wages .....		30	10	6			
Stores.....		3	3	7			
Poultry Pens.....		45	2	2			
Food for Poultry and Carriage .....		36	16	7			
Railway Conveyance.....		3	0	0			
Postages and Stamps .....		15	5	0			
Prizes .....	£218	5	0				
Judges' Fees, &c.....	19	17	6				
	£238	2	6				
Less Commission on Sales ...	17	5	7				
Printing and Advertising .....		220	16	11			
		66	15	10			
					499	10	7
					£1,430	19	6



*Box 10*

## ABSTRACT K.

*18-13-5: Box A. 68*

## INSURANCE FROM FIRE, AND FIRE BRIGADE.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Insurance of Building, &c. ....				543	7	6
Wages .....	235	6	0			
Firemen's Clothing .....	13	9	3			
Rent, Rates, and Taxes of Firemen's Houses	80	15	4			
Stores, &c.....	6	10	5			
				336	1	0
				£879	8	6

## ABSTRACT L.

## LAW CHARGES.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Taxing Officer's Fee for Taxing Costs, 1857-8 ...	14	19	8			
The Company at the Suit of Rendall:						
Plaintiff's Taxed Costs, on Com-						
pletion of Suit .....	£137	19	4			
Balance of Defendant's Costs on						
ditto .....	71	7	10			
				209	7	2
Refreshment Department, including Preparation						
of New Contract and Bond of Security.....	86	17	8			
Contract for New Reservoir.....	9	15	10			
In recovering Arrears of Rent.....	16	2	8			
The Company at the Suit of Franklinski, Defend-						
ant's Costs.....	31	8	10			
General Law Charges from September, 1857, to						
June, 1859.....	194	9	10			
				£563	1	8

## ABSTRACT M.

## RATES AND TAXES.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Assessed Taxes .....	34	14	8			
Property Tax.....	31	5	0			
Poor Rates .....	431	18	8			
General Lighting, Highway and Sewers Rates ...	982	15	3			
Church Rates .....	114	10	3			
Rent-Charge in lieu of Tithes .....	35	7	4			
				£1,630	11	2

## AUDITORS' REPORT.

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*To the Shareholders of the Crystal Palace Company.*

WE have to report that the Accounts of the Company for the year ending 31st October, 1859, which will be laid before the Meeting convened for the 20th instant, have been carefully audited by us, and that we find them to be correctly stated, properly vouched, and in due accordance with the books of the Company.

The Capital and Revenue Statements, and the Balance Sheet, together with the ample details furnished by the Abstracts which accompany them, exhibit so clearly and fully the financial position and working of the Company, that we cannot do better than simply refer the Shareholders to them for information on those points.

At the same time we desire to state, expressly in reference to that important part of our duty which consists in taking care that a due distinction is maintained in the Accounts as between Capital and Revenue, and especially that no expenses that ought to be borne by the latter are charged to the former, that the result of our audit is entirely satisfactory.

QUILTER, BALL, JAY, AND CO.

10th December, 1859.